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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

The intent of this letter is to urge the Justice Department to enact the settlement reached with Microsoft last November. The settlement that was reached is extremely fair and represents an end to this attack against Microsoft. I would hope that after three years of extensive mediation, the Justice Department would finally be satisfied with its pursuit of this antitrust dispute.

Further, the settlement that was reached will benefit consumers of the technology industry. With the interim release of Windows XP, Microsoft will enact a mechanism into the Windows system that will enable users to add and delete programs into their operating system. Thus, users will have increased power to configure their operating systems to their own accords.

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These terms are obviously beneficial to consumers. In addition, enacting this settlement will increase confidence in the technology industries once again. I would hope that the Justice Department recognizes the benefits in enacting this settlement at the end of January.

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Sincerely,

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